

## HEAVY RAINS FALL IN SOUTHERN SECTION

Atmospheric Pressure Increased Over Northern Pacific—Clear in West.

### HOURLY READINGS.

APRIL 18.	
3 a.m.	60
4 a.m.	58
5 a.m.	58
6 a.m.	58
7 a.m.	58
8 a.m.	58
9 a.m.	60
10 a.m.	62
11 a.m.	66
12 m.	67
1 p.m.	68
2 p.m.	71

Weather at 2 p.m., cloudy; humidity, 12 noon, 60.

### Local Forecast.

Fair and cooler tonight and Friday.

### River Forecast.

The river will rise tonight, Friday and Saturday.

### Lookout Mountain Readings

(For Twenty-four Hours Ending 7 a.m.)  
Highest temperature ..... 62  
Lowest temperature ..... 53  
Wind ..... S.  
Weather ..... Cloudy.  
Precipitation ..... .06

### Local Data.

Temperature for twenty-four hours: Highest yesterday, 68; lowest last night, 57; mean, 62.  
Corresponding date last year: Highest, 86; lowest, 59; mean, 72.  
Normal for this date, 61 degrees.  
Accumulated deficiency in mean temperature since Jan. 1, 11 degrees.  
Relative humidity (per cent.), 7 p.m., 72; 7 a.m., 52.  
Precipitation for twenty-four hours ending 7 a.m. today, .11 inch.  
Total precipitation since Jan. 1, 18.29 inches.  
Accumulated deficiency is 1.09 inches.  
Highest wind velocity for twenty-four hours ending 7 a.m. today, twenty-six miles, southwest.  
River stage at 7 a.m. (feet), 12.8.  
Rise in twenty-four hours (feet), 1.0.

### Weather Conditions.

The disturbance central over Illinois yesterday morning has advanced northward to eastern New York, with general precipitation over the lake region and southward to the Gulf. Heavy amount fell at New Orleans. The atmospheric pressure has increased over the northern Pacific states, with generally clear and cool weather over the western states. Freezing weather prevails at a number of stations in the Rocky mountain region. Temperatures are lower over the lake region and southward to the Gulf, and at 7 a.m. snow was falling at a number of stations in the northern states east of the Mississippi river.  
Conditions are favorable for fair and cooler weather over this section tonight and Friday.

### Weather for Four States.

Washington, April 18.—Forecast: Tennessee—Fair tonight and Friday; cooler tonight and in east portion Friday. Kentucky—Fair and cooler tonight; Friday partly cloudy.  
Georgia—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday, except rain Friday in east portion; slightly cooler tonight, cooler in east portion Friday.  
Alabama—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday.

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## WAR ISSUES HARDEN; LIBERTY BONDS STEADY

New York, April 18.—Gains extending from fractions to a point at the opening of today's stock market measured the encouragement felt by traders at the more favorable tone of overnight war news. The war issues, including equipments, again led the movement. Baldwin Locomotive, American Can, American Smelting and Industrial Alcohol displaying especial strength. Steels, shipbuilders and motors also hardened appreciably. Liberty bonds were steady. Stocks made additional gains during the noon hour, accompanied by further favorable war bulletins. Equipments, rails and several of the high-priced specialties were 1/4 to 1/2 points over yesterday's close. Liberty bonds also strengthened on larger dealings.

### NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Stock	Wed. day	Thurs. day
American Beet Sugar	71 1/2	72 1/2
American Can	13 1/2	14 1/2
American C. & F.	77 1/2	78 1/2
American Locomotive	61 1/2	62 1/2
American Lined	32 1/2	33 1/2
American Smelting and Ref.	76 1/2	77 1/2
American Sugar	101	102
American T. & T.	100 1/2	101 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	109	109 1/2
Beaumont Steel	51 1/2	52 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	77 1/2	78 1/2
Canadian Pacific	137 1/2	138 1/2
Central Leather	60 1/2	61 1/2
Chesapeake and Ohio	55 1/2	56 1/2
Chi. Mil. and St. P.	28 1/2	29 1/2
Chino Copper	40 1/2	41 1/2
Colorado Fuel and Iron	37 1/2	38 1/2
Corn Products	36 1/2	37 1/2
Cuba Cane Sugar	28 1/2	29 1/2
Erie	14 1/2	15 1/2
General Motors	129 1/2	130 1/2
Great Northern Pfd.	88 1/2	89 1/2
Illinois Central	55 1/2	56 1/2
International Harb.	41 1/2	42 1/2
Inter. Merc. Marine	24 1/2	25 1/2
do preferred	92 1/2	93 1/2
Kennecott Copper	37 1/2	38 1/2
Louisville and Nashville	111 1/2	112 1/2
Maxwell Petroleum	26 1/2	27 1/2
Mexican Petroleum	93 1/2	94 1/2
Miami Copper	29 1/2	30 1/2
Midvale Steel	45 1/2	46 1/2
U. S. Steel	74 1/2	75 1/2
Utah Copper	78 1/2	79 1/2
Wabash Pfd.	29 1/2	30 1/2
Wabash	27 1/2	28 1/2
Wells Fargo	40 1/2	41 1/2
Wills-Overland	129 1/2	130 1/2
American Tobacco	160 1/2	161 1/2
Atlantic Coast Line	86 1/2	87 1/2
Gulf States Steel	82 1/2	83 1/2
Seaboard Air Line	74 1/2	75 1/2
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	52 1/2	53 1/2
United Fruit	120 1/2	121 1/2
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	42 1/2	43 1/2

## Clearinghouse Increase 68 Per Cent. This Week

The business of a Chattanooga banks as shown in clearing house report for the week ending Thursday shows an increase of 68 per cent. over the corresponding week for last year. The following is the statement: Clearinghouse week ending April 18, \$5,799,246.42; corresponding week last year, \$3,429,578.43. Total increase, \$2,369,668.02.

### CHATTANOOGA AVENUE SCHOOL TO GIVE MUSICAL CONTEST

Students of the Chattanooga Avenue school are to have a musical contest Friday, April 19, at 2 p.m., and drift stamps are to be given the winners. The program is to be held primarily to raise funds for the Red Cross society. Commissioner H. D. Huffaker, Supt. C. H. Winder and Miss Colgrove have been named as the judges. An entrance fee of only 2 cents is to be charged. J. W. Hawes, principal, and M. A. Gordon, director, have charge of the program. C. B. Hawkins will assist at the piano.

### HELP WANTED—Male;

white and colored laborers and boys; good opportunity to learn trade; steady work. The Chattanooga Manufacturing Co., Plant No. 1, rear Erlanger Hospital.

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experienced box factory mechanic. The Chattanooga Manufacturing Co., Plant No. 1, rear Erlanger Hospital.

## MATERIAL UPWARD TURN IN GRAIN PRICES

Chicago, April 18.—Notwithstanding a continuance of notably bearish crop conditions, corn prices today turned upward to a material extent. Lack of selling pressure was a conspicuous feature of the market. Opening prices, which varied from unchanged figures to 1c higher, with May \$1.27 and July \$1.46 1/2, were followed by a slight reaction and then a rise higher than before.

### RANGE OF PRICES ON THE CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

Month	Open	High	Low	Close
Corn	1.27	1.27 1/2	1.27	1.27
May	1.27	1.27 1/2	1.27	1.27
July	1.46 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2
Oats	.84	.84 1/2	.84	.84
May	.84	.84 1/2	.84	.84
July	.84	.84 1/2	.84	.84
Wheat	1.47	1.47 1/2	1.47	1.47
May	1.47	1.47 1/2	1.47	1.47
July	1.47	1.47 1/2	1.47	1.47

### TWO-GRAIN

The close was heavy at the same as yesterday's finish to 2 1/2c lower, with May at \$1.27 and July \$1.45 1/2.

### CHICAGO CASH.

Chicago, April 18.—Corn: No. 2 yellow, \$1.46 1/2; No. 3 yellow, \$1.45 1/2; No. 4 yellow, \$1.45 1/2. Oats—No. 3 white, \$0.84 1/2; standard, \$0.84 1/2. Barley—\$1.40 1/2. Timothy—\$5.68. Hay—\$16.25. Hides—\$25.12. Lard—\$22.00 1/2.

### CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, April 18.—Hogs: Receipts, 32,000 head; slow. Bulk, \$17.45 1/2; light, \$17.50 1/2; mixed, \$17.50 1/2; heavy, \$17.50 1/2. Cattle—Receipts, 16,000 head; firm. Native steers, \$11.00 1/2; stockers and feeders, \$8.75 1/2; cows and heifers, \$7.60 1/2; calves, \$9.00 1/2. Sheep—Receipts, 10,000 head; strong. Sheep, \$13.00 1/2; lambs, \$16.50 1/2.

### SUGAR.

New York, April 18.—Raw sugar, steady. Centrifugal, 9.00c; fine granulated, 7.45c.

### BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE, POULTRY.

New York, April 18.—Butter, firm; receipts, 317 tubs. Creamery, higher than extra, 44c; extra, 42c. Eggs—Steady; receipts, 15,500 cases. Fresh-gathered, regular packed, 38c 1/2; do extra firsts, 36c 1/2; do firsts, 34c 1/2; fresh-gathered storage-packed firsts, 36c 1/2. Cheese—Steady; receipts, 5,416 boxes. State whole milk flats, held special, 24c 1/2; do average run, 23c 1/2. Poultry—Live and dressed, steady and unchanged.

### CHICAGO PRODUCE.

Chicago, April 18.—Butter, unchanged. Eggs—Unchanged. Potatoes—Higher; receipts, twenty-five cars. Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin bulk, \$1.20 1/2; do sacks, \$1.25 1/2.

## Motion to Suspend Bush Comes Up Friday Morning

Chancellor W. R. Garvin will entertain a motion to suspend Sheriff Bush under the second order proceedings filed against him Friday morning. W. G. M. Thomas, representing the petitioners, and T. Pope Shepherd, chief counsel for the sheriff, will argue the motion.

### The charge in this petition is the collection of illegal fees.

If this case comes to trial, it is expected that it will require a longer time for hearing than did the first case, which extended over a period of more than three weeks.

## MARKED INCREASE IN SIZES OF DAILY PAPERS

(International News Service.) Washington, April 18.—The average size of daily and Sunday newspapers showed a marked increase during March, apparently due to advertising gains, the federal trade commission announced today. A considerable increase in percentage of return also is reported. One New York paper had returns of 18 per cent., one in Boston 9 per cent. and one in Philadelphia 6 per cent. The Philadelphia Publican issued free copies amounting to 5 per cent. and had an overrun of 15 per cent., making a total waste of 20 per cent. for the month.

Newspaper publishers during March continued to consume paper faster than it was produced, leading the commission again to appeal for an elimination of waste, a curtailment of consumption in every way possible.

## FRENCH HEAVILY IN ACTION ON NORTH FRONT

(By Associated Press.) Ottawa, Ont., April 18.—The French are heavily in action on the northern battle area, says a Reuters dispatch from London today.

## MORE TALK OF FIXING PRICE AS COTTON BREAKS

New York, April 18.—A further advance with a renewal of more or less general selling and followed by a very sharp break in prices in the cotton market today. Relatively firm cables and bullish overnight advices accounted for the opening advance of 4 to 35 points, which carried July contracts up to 28.50c and December to 28.60c, or 245 to 260 points from the recent low level. Offerings became very heavy at these figures, however, and the break was accompanied by renewed talk of price-fixing or regulation of some sort in the goods market.

Liverpool bought early, but sold when the market weakened, and there was also trading on the decline, which rapidly extended to 28.50c for July and 27.50c for October, or 55 to 75 points net lower, and 32 to 110 points below the high level of the opening.

### NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New Orleans, April 18.—A good demand was felt for cotton in the opening call here today and prices improved 16 to 34 points, but the market soon met fresh selling in volume based apparently on an unfavorable view of war news. At the end of the first half-hour prices of the most active months were 1 to 3 points under yesterday's close.

The market broke violently at the middle of the morning and was weak for the remainder of the day. Selling was accompanied by heavy offerings of contracts by spot houses. The active months dropped 15 to 12 points from the high of the morning, where they stood at a net decline of 123 to 129 points.

### NEW ORLEANS COTTON FUTURES OPENING.

New Orleans, April 18.—Cotton futures opened steady: May, 28.50c; July, 28.75c; October, 27.50c; December, 27.30c asked.

### NEW YORK COTTON FUTURES OPENING.

New York, April 18.—Cotton futures opened irregular: May, 30.20c; July, 29.75c; October, 28.51c; December, 28.00c; January, 27.94c.

### NEW YORK COTTON FUTURES CLOSING.

New York, April 18.—Cotton futures closed steady: May, 28.80c; July, 28.35c; October, 27.10c; December, 26.85c; January, 26.72c.

### NEW ORLEANS SPOT COTTON.

New Orleans, April 18.—Spot cotton, nominal and unchanged. Sales on the spot, 365 to arrive, none. Low middling, 27c; strict low middling, 27 1/2c. Receipts, 1,356 bales; stock, 452,028.

### LIVERPOOL COTTON.

Liverpool, April 18.—Cotton spot quiet, prices higher. Good middling, 23.40c; middling, 22.90c; low middling, 22.54c; strict low middling, 22.24c. Sales, 5,000 bales, including 4,000 American. Receipts, 386,384; do extra firsts, 36c 1/2; do firsts, 34c 1/2; fresh-gathered storage-packed firsts, 36c 1/2. Futures closed weak. New contracts: April, 27.85c; May, 27.45c; June, 27.20c; July, 27.15c; August, 27.12c. Old contracts (fixed prices): April, 27.12c; April-May, 27.14c; May-June, 27.16c; June-July, 27.18c.

### NEW YORK SPOT COTTON.

New York, April 18.—Spot cotton quiet. Middling, 29.30c.

## Railroads Must Pay Full Price for Coal

Washington, April 18.—Railroads hereafter will purchase their coal at the full market price, and cars will be evenly distributed to all mines under an arrangement reached by the railroad and fuel administrations. The plan was accepted after President Wilson intervened to settle differences between Administrator Garfield and John Skelton Williams, director of purchases for the railroad administration.

The fuel administration objected to sales of coal to railroads at prices less than those charged other consumers and to the system whereby railroads gave a 100 per cent. car supply to mines supplying coal for railroad use while other mines suffered from car shortage. One effect of the arrangement, it was pointed out today, will be that all consumers will share alike in coal distribution.

## COTTON DROPS \$8; PRICE-FIXING CAUSE

New York, April 18.—Another smash occurred in the cotton market today, prices dropping about \$8 a bale. The break was attributed chiefly to renewed reports of price-fixing in the cotton goods trade.

## OBITUARY FUNERAL SERVICES FOR CAPT. J. W. BUTLER

One of City's Best Known Business Men and Confederate Veteran Crosses River.

Capt. J. W. Butler, Confederate veteran, and representative of the Chattanooga Plover company in Georgia and Florida for thirty years, who died Tuesday at Leesburg, Fla., was laid to rest in Forest Hills cemetery Thursday afternoon. Funeral services, conducted by Dr. Leaning Clark and Dr. J. W. Bachman, were held at the cemetery and exercises were held by N. B. Forrest camp, U. C. V., of which the deceased was a member.

The body of Capt. Butler, accompanied by his family, arrived about noon Thursday on the Dixie Flyer. Representatives of the Chattanooga Plover company and of Forrest camp, Confederate veterans, and their friends met the funeral party at the train. The body was then taken to the cemetery, where the services were held.

Active pallbearers, Mr. Butler's associate traveling men, were J. H. Craig, T. B. Smith, J. G. Hill, Arthur R. Craig, E. M. Jenkins, E. J. Carr. Honorary pallbearers of the N. B. Forrest camp were L. T. Dickinson, J. F. Shipp, J. N. Johnson, W. A. Terrell, W. McAfee, B. L. Goulding, J. A. Caldwell, H. A. Chambers, W. P. McClatchey and W. T. Tyler.

Surviving the deceased are his wife, who was Miss Carolyn Thompson, of Camden, S. C., and their daughter, Mrs. J. Everett Young, of Quitman, Ga. He is also survived by Mrs. John M. Mauldin, of Atlanta, and Lieut. Walter J. Butler, of Butler, Ga., who are children by a former wife, Mrs. Mary Bidwell, of Chattanooga, is a cousin of Capt. Butler.

Capt. Butler was a native of Lawrenceville, Ga., where he was born in 1844, enlisted in Company E, Twelfth Mississippi regiment, at the beginning of the Civil war. This regiment was engaged in farming at the close of the war and later became a merchant in this city. His connection with the Chattanooga Plover company began in 1888, and he represented the company in Georgia and Florida, where he made a great number of friends and where he built up a large trade. Those connected with his company held him in high esteem.

## LAST SAD RITES FOR MRS. ALICE WELLS

Death Claims One of Chattanooga's Best Known and Beloved Women.

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Alice Wells, widow of C. C. Wells, who died Wednesday afternoon at her home, 528 Oak street, as a result of a stroke of apoplexy sustained earlier in the day, will be held from Centenary M. E. church, south, Friday morning at 10. Mrs. Wells was an active member of this house of worship. Dr. E. E. Wiley, her pastor, will officiate. The body will be interred in Forest Hills cemetery, and pallbearers are to be L. M. Thomas, J. R. Pitner, F. L. Underwood, Creed P. Bates, A. A. Green, J. A. Perkins, C. W. Loftin and W. H. Smith.

Mrs. Wells was well-known here and had a host of friends. She actively identified herself with the religious and charitable life of the city and had done so during her entire mature life. In the undertakings of the church and in the work among the friends and the soldiers at Port Oglethorpe she had been especially active.

Surviving the deceased are two sons, Marshall and C. C. Jr., and two sisters, Mrs. R. L. Westcott and Mrs. Mollie Wheeler, and two brothers, Frank and Charles Smith.

## BY ALLMAN

Funeral services over the body of E. S. Echols, aged 25, who died Wednesday morning at his home, 1013 Long street, were held from the residence Thursday afternoon at 3, with Rev. W. M. Tidwell officiating. Forest Hills cemetery was the place of interment. Surviving the deceased are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Echols; two brothers, William and Corbin, and three sisters, Ellen, Ruby and Gertrude. Mr. Echols was a member of the W. O. W. and the iron molders' union.

## COLORED BISHOP PREACHES FORCEFUL SERMON

(International News Service.) Washington, April 18.—Suggestions that the railroad administration require that all cotton offered for shipment be compressed to a density of 33 pounds a cubic foot probably will reduce the cotton surplus to a few hundred thousand bales. The plan has the approval of the shipping board, the department of agriculture and many commercial organizations. It is claimed that if it were adopted it would reduce the surplus by 2,000 the number of freight cars necessary to move the annual cotton crop.

## Bill to Increase Oil Production of Country

(International News Service.) Washington, April 18.—A bill to increase oil production for war purposes, was reported to the house today by the public lands committee. The bill is a composite of many measures already introduced, which its advocates claim has retarded development of the oil resources of the United States. Quick action on the bill was urged by President Wilson in conference with Chairman Ferris of the public lands committee last night.

## LENENCY NOT ORDER OF DAY

Judge McReynolds Runs Out of Eleven Months and Twenty-nine Day Sentences.

Rugged and rigid honesty seems to have been absolutely an unknown and foreign quality to the makeup of the majority of the defendants arraigned in the criminal court Thursday morning. Leniency in cases of this sort, every one of which, aggravated, seems to have been an unknown quantity to Judge McReynolds and when he finished writing in his "Book of Time" he was completely out of "eleven months and twenty-nine days" sentences. He also came very near running out of six-month sentences. They told him and he got them told, and for the exchange of "tellings a number of young men would far rather take the time on the rock pile making "little ones out of big ones."

## GREENWOOD CEMETERY POLICE CONTINUE WAR ON POOLROOMS

Another Bunch of Negroes Ficked Up in Various Resorts.

It might have been that they had "just gone in"; perhaps they just stopped a minute to use the telephone or see someone on business—there are always excuses—but the "law" laid its clutches upon them. As a result, poolrooms were cleaned out and their colored population transferred to the police station in numbers. When Sergt. Joe Cummings finished registering their names on the "ruses" book an entire page of forty spaces had been filled and another page was started. All told, there were about forty-two of the alleged shirkers of work, and in police court Friday Judge Martin heard them hear their stories and pass judgment upon them.

A number of those arrested Thursday morning were able to make bond, others were released when collateral was put up for their appearance in court and still others were left behind to look out upon the world from behind the iron bars of prison cells.

## Chancery Suit Over Ownership of Boat

The case of Littenstetter against Adams was being heard before Chancellor W. B. Garvin Thursday in chancery court. The case is one involving the ownership of a boat. Adams, who is a deputy sheriff, attached the boat for a debt against Morris Sherman, who was thought to have been the owner. However, Littenstetter claims that the boat is his property and is suing to have his title to the boat established and to gain possession. Strang & Fletcher are representing the boat and Sidney B. Wright the defendant.

## MILLER BROS. EMPLOYEES BUY MORE LIBERTY BONDS

Lieut. Dick, of the Fifty-third Infantry, Tells Graphic Story and Heaters Respond.

Lieut. A. C. Dick, of the Fifty-third Infantry, spoke to the employees of Miller Bros. department store Wednesday at the closing hour, and several hundred dollars' worth of liberty bonds were bought as a result. The meeting was held at the store at 5:50 p.m. The officer explained many phases of the war that are intensely interesting to the laymen and which few out of army circles understand. His appeal was strong and met with hearty response. Among other points he emphasized just what a bond will do for the soldier. He told the cost of firing and gave many graphic illustrations.

## REALTY DEALS RECORDED AT COUNTY COURTHOUSE

J. M. Trimble, trustee, to B. S. Studebaker, land in Fifth district; \$130.  
J. M. Trimble, trustee, to B. S. Studebaker, land in Fifth district; \$300.  
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